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Re: Attorney Docket No. 1038.002

In re application of: Christopher R. Hall and Joseph L. Welsh

Serial No: 09/911,041

Art Unit: 3627

Filed: 07/23/01

Examiner: Robert Paul Olszewski

For: Method and System for Enabling Workers to Communicate
Anonymously With Their Employers

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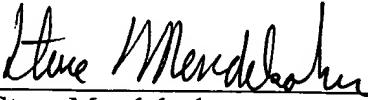
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